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SUBJECT: DRUG ABUSE COUNSELING FACILITY FOR
AMERICANS ON TAIWAN

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1. THERE IS ON TAIWAN ONE FACILITY WHICH FITS THE
CRITERIA GIVEN PARA 2 REFTEL. IT IS THE FAMILY ADVISORY
CENTER, TAIWAN (FACT), LOCATED IN TAIPEI. FACT
IS SPONSORED AND FINANCED BY THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY
IN TAIWAN, AND ITS OPERATIONS ARE DIRECTED BY THE
AMBASSADOR'S COUNCIL ON YOUTH ACTIVITIES. THE MAJOR
SEGMENTS OF THE LOCAL AMERICAN COMMUNITY--OFFICIAL
CIVILIAN, MILITARY, AND BUSINESS--ARE REPRESENTED ON
THE COUNCIL. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED
FROM PAUL M. POPPLE, DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION, AMERICAN
EMBASSY, TAIPEI.

2. THE SERVICES OF FACT ARE AVAILABLE TO ALL AMER-
ICANS ON TAIWAN BUT NOT TO HOST COUNTRY NATIONALS.
A FEW THIRD-COUNTRY NATIONALS HAVE ALSO USED FACT'S
SERVICES. STATISTICS KEPT IN ONE RECENT MONTH,
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WHICH WE BELIEVE TO BE REPRESENTATIVE, SHOWED THE

FOLLOWING USAGE BY PERCENTAGE:

MILITARY AND DEPARTS 65 PERCENT

DOD SPONSORED CIVILIANS 10 PERCENT

CIVILIAN (BOTH USG AND NON-USG) 25 PERCENT

3. FACT PROVIDES COUNSELING ON A BROAD RANGE OF PERSONAL/FAMILY PROBLEMS, INCLUDING THOSE WHICH ARE DRUG-RELATED. DRUG-RELATED COUNSELING ACCOUNTS FOR LESS THAN 10 PERCENT OF THE COUNSELING.

4. THE DIRECTOR OF FACT IS A US NAVY CHAPLAIN. HE AND ONE US NAVY ENLISTED MAN ARE EMPLOYED FULL TIME AT FACT. THEIR ANNUAL SALARIES, PAID BY THE US NAVY, TOTAL \$28,987. ALL ADDITIONAL SALARIES AND COSTS OF FACT ARE FUNDED BY THE AMBASSADOR'S SPECIAL YOUTH ACTIVITY PROGRAM. IN CALENDAR YEAR 1974 THOSE ADDITIONAL SALARIES AND COSTS AMOUNTED TO \$33,350.

5. THE AMBASSADOR'S SPECIAL YOUTH ACTIVITY PROGRAM, WHICH ALSO SUPPORTS A YOUTH WORK PROGRAM, IS FUNDED PRIMARILY FROM A SURCHARGE ON SALES AT THE EMBASSY OPERATED LIQUOR OUTLETS. THE AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ALSO MAKES SIZEABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE YOUTH ACTIVITY PROGRAM.

6. WE ESTIMATE THE CURRENT AMERICAN COMMUNITY ON TAIWAN TO TOTAL ROUGHLY 14,000, BROKEN DOWN INTO FOLLOWING CATEGORIES AND APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGES AS REQUESTED PARA 3.C OF REFTEL:

DOD PERCENT 33 PERCENT

DOD DEPENDENTS 31 PERCENT

FOREIGN SERVICE PERSONNEL LESS THAN 1 PERCENT

FOREIGN SERVICE DEPENDENTS 1 PERCENT

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OTHER USG EMPLOYEES (INCL.DEPS.) LESS THAN 1 PERCENT

RESIDENT NON-USG AMERICANS
(INCL. DEPS.) 31 PERCENT

TRANSIENT NON-USG AMERICANS
(INCL. DEPS.) 3 PERCENT

THE DOD PRESENCE ON TAIWAN IS DIMINISHING, AND WILL NOT BE AS GREAT IN FY-76 AS INDICATED ABOVE.

7. WE ESTIMATE THAT THE FINANCIAL REQUIREMENT FOR FACT THROUGH THE BALANCE OF FY-75 AND FY-76 WILL CONTINUE AT ROUGHLY THE SAME RATE AS IN CY-74 (PARA 4 ABOVE), AND THAT THE SOURCE OF FUNDING WILL REMAIN THE SAME. ALTHOUGH THE TOTAL AMERICAN PRESENCE IS FALLING, PRIMARILY BECAUSE OF THE DECREASING DOD PRESENCE, THE COMMUNITY USE OF FACT'S SERVICES HAS BEEN INCREASING.

8. WE DO NOT ANTICIPATE A NEED FOR WASHINGTON SUPPORT.
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